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Subject: S.B.16, H.B. 5416, S.B. 388, H.B. 5415, H.B. 5412

Dear Judiciary Committee, Senator Cabrera, and Representative Welander,

I write today urging you to oppose S.B. 16 and H.B. 5416. I have two overriding reasons for opposing these bills.

1. I strongly believe them to be unconstitutional in that they clearly violate the meaningful statement of, "shall not be infringed" of the 2nd Amendment. Arguing that a citizen cannot own a bazooka is meaningless, in that the primary weapons these bills would ban are amongst the most common rifles in circulation (many millions as opposed to almost zero bazookas). They are in normal use for both hunting, sport shooting, and yes, self protection.
2. History shows, and the data is conclusive that most of the gun violence in CT and in the USA is committed by criminals who will have illegal weapons regardless of any laws you may pass. That leaves me and other law abiding CT residents even more vulnerable to the acts of criminals. It just doesn't make sense.

While there are many other details that can be used to support opposition to these bills, the two I have referred to should be more than enough to use common sense and vote against these bills.

I also write today urging you to support S.B. 388, H.B. 5415 and H.B. 5412.

The primary reason to support these bills is that anything that can help a legally gun permitted CT resident to protect themselves and their surrounding loved ones should be promoted and embraced. There is a logical reason why so many CT residents became new gun owners over the past two years. There is a real sense that one needs to be able to protect themselves given so much lawlessness by criminals. The police are minutes away while the potential crime is seconds away.

I hope that commonsense can prevail and you vote accordingly.

Respectfully remitted,

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